

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB2457

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 505/5f new 730 ILCS 5/3-9-8 new

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to provide support services to every child in its care. Provides that "support services" refers to an individually designed set of services and supports provided to children and their families that includes treatment services, personal support services, or other supports necessary to foster education preparedness, employability, and preservation of the child in the family home. Requires support services to be developed through a collaborative approach between the Department, the child, if aged 14 years or older, the child's parent or guardian, other service providers or State agencies that work with children or youth, schools, extended family and friends, and any other persons that the child or family identifies as integral to the child's social, mental, or emotional development. Requires the Department to determine by rule the specific types of support services available to children and families served by the Department, including, but not limited to, medical services, mental health services, substance abuse services, job training and career education services, and self-sufficiency planning. Amends the Programs of the Department of Juvenile Justice Article of the Unified Code of Corrections to add substantially similar requirements for the Department of Juvenile Justice.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Children and Family Services Act is amended by adding Section 5f as follows:

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Sec. 5f. Support services. To better meet the needs of children and families by utilizing their strengths, the Department shall provide support services to every child in its care. As used in this Section, "support services" refers to an individually designed set of services and supports provided to children and their families that includes treatment services, personal support services, or any other supports necessary to foster education preparedness, employability, and preservation of the child in the family home. Support services shall be developed through a collaborative approach between the Department, the child, if aged 14 years or older, the child's parent or guardian, other service providers or State agencies that work with children or youth, schools, extended family and friends, and any other persons that the child or family identifies as integral to the child's social, mental, or emotional development. The Department shall determine by rule the specific types of support services available to children

- 1 <u>and families served by the Department, including, but not</u>
- 2 limited to, medical services, mental health services,
- 3 <u>substance abuse services</u>, job training and career education
- 4 services, and self-sufficiency planning. The Department may
- 5 adopt any rules necessary to implement this Section.
- 6 Section 10. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by
- 7 adding Section 3-9-8 as follows:
- 8 (730 ILCS 5/3-9-8 new)
- 9 Sec. 3-9-8. Support services. To better meet the needs of
- 10 youth and families by utilizing their strengths, the Department
- of Juvenile Justice shall provide support services to every
- 12 youth in its care. As used in this Section, "support services"
- refers to an individually designed set of services and supports
- 14 provided to children and their families that includes treatment
- 15 services, personal support services, or any other supports
- necessary to foster education preparedness, employability, and
- 17 preservation of the child in the family home. Support services
- shall be developed through a collaborative approach between the
- 19 Department, the youth, the youth's parent or guardian, other
- 20 service providers or State agencies that work with children or
- 21 youth, schools, extended family and friends, and any other
- 22 persons that the youth or family identifies as integral to the
- youth's social, mental, or emotional development. The
- 24 Department shall determine by rule the specific types of

- 1 support services available to youth and families served by the
- 2 Department, including, but not limited to, medical services,
- 3 mental health services, substance abuse services, job training
- and career education services, and self-sufficiency planning. 4
- 5 The Department may adopt any rules necessary to implement this
- 6 Section.